

## Protect the safety and value of your home!

Your home and family are what you value the most and permits help you protect them. Substandard work on your home can cost thousands of dollars in damage due to non-code compliant installations of electrical, plumbing, mechanical, and structural components. Obtaining a permit helps protect your home and family from potentially serious financial loss and physical injury. When you decide to sell your home you will be able to confidently market your home with full disclosure about any construction activity. Providing proof that permits were obtained and that certified inspectors verified minimum code compliance, both the seller and buyer have confidence before, during, and after the property transaction.

## How do permits protect your home?

When you apply for a permit, a Certified Plans Examiner will review your building plans for conformance to the State of Oregon adopted codes. When the review is complete you will be confident that your building plans meet all applicable code requirements.

A Permit technician will verify that your contractor is licensed to perform the described work on your plans. Hiring only licensed contractors gives you assurance the work will be completed correctly and safely by individuals with the necessary training and experience to do the work. Unlicensed persons will not obtain permits thereby leaving your family unprotected from loss and injury. In many cases you will need to hire a licensed contractor to repair or replace the previous substandard work and end up paying for the same work twice.

Upon completion of the plan review a permit can be issued giving you or your contractor permission to begin the work. Certified Inspectors will ensure the work meets the State of Oregon code requirements. The inspection process will help guard your investment and eliminate potential safety risks to your family. The inspector will also verify that no unlisted products are used that could be detrimental to the environment.

When all inspections are complete and the work is approved, a Certified Building Official will issue a Certificate of Occupancy demonstrating that your project or new home successfully meets all the required State of Oregon codes.

You will enjoy the benefits of knowing your family, investment, and the environment are protected by obtaining permits and hiring only licensed contractors.

Protect your Home - Protect your Family - Protect the Environment

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